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# DELAWARE'S ARCHAEOLOGICAL NETWORK GOVERNMENT-BASED ARCHAEOLOGY

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The Division Director is responsible under the Delaware Antiquities Act for issues dealing with archaeological sites and the discovery of unmarked human remains. Excavations on state-owned lands require a permit from the Director. As the State Historic Preservation Officer, the Director participates in planning for federally funded or permitted projects, to see that historic properties, including archaeological sites, are protected.

Besides providing staff support for the Director of the DHCA in all the activities mentioned above, DE SHPO archaeologists locate and record archaeological sites, help with project planning to avoid archaeological sites, assist consultants in planning archaeological surveys, and review the reports on those surveys. The Office maintains the central files on archaeological sites and a library of reports on archaeological surveys and excavations within Delaware. DE SHPO archaeologists are available to give talks on archaeological topics to service organizations and other groups and to provide artifact identifications for the public.

#### DHCA, Delaware State Museums (DSM)

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DSM maintains the primary repository for Delaware's archaeological site collections – the artifacts, field notes, photographs, and drawings that all professional archaeological excavations produce. In addition, the DSM archaeologist tests areas around state-owned museums prior to rehabilitation work or renovations to the buildings, undertakes specialized collections and archaeological research, and assists researchers with their projects. Besides giving talks to various groups, DSM has programs geared to school groups, either in classrooms or at various museum sites, and produces exhibits on archaeology.

# **DE Dept. of Transportation, Office of Planning** (DelDOT)

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www.deldot.net/static/projects/archaeology Kevin R. Cunningham, *Archaeologist* e-mail: kcunningham@mail.dot.state.de.us DelDOT sponsors many archaeological surveys and excavations in planning their federally funded projects. Private archaeological consulting firms conduct most of these investigations. The DelDOT archaeologist arranges and gives school tours of sites under excavation, public days on excavated sites, and classroom visits. Reports from these excavations are published in the DelDOT Archaeological Series and are available at all Delaware high school and public libraries. Individuals can request copies of available issues.

## DE Dept. of Natural Resources & Environmental Control, Div. of Parks and Recreation (DNREC)

Cultural Heritage Section 152 S. State Street Dover, DE 19901

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Web page: www.destateparks.com/Activities/archeo

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#### UNIVERSITY-BASED ARCHAEOLOGY

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The UD Center for Archaeological Research conducts research on prehistoric and historic sites around the state. It provides opportunities for UD students to get archaeological experience both in the field and in the laboratory, with sponsorship from private landowners and organizations, such as the Historical Society of Delaware. The University maintains an archaeological repository for those site collections excavated by the Center. The Center has produced site reports through both the DelDOT Archaeological Series and the ASD Bulletin. The University's archaeologists are available to give talks to service organizations and to identify artifacts for the public.

#### **DELAWARE VOLUNTEER ARCHAEOLOGICAL ORGANIZATIONS**

#### **Archaeological Society of Delaware**

P. O. Box 12483

Wilmington, DE 19850-2483

Web page: www.maarassociates.com

Bulletin editor: Edward Heite

e-mail: ned@heite.org

Inksherds editor: Jessica Billie e-mail: MAARAssoc@aol.com

#### ASD, Northern Chapter

Meetings: Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday, 8:00 p.m. (Except

January, July, and August) Location: Greenbank Mill 500 Greenbank Rd. Wilmington, DE 19808

For more information: Joan Parsons, 302-323-0118

**ASD**, Archaeology Month Planning Committee Web page: <a href="https://www.delawarearchaeology.com">www.delawarearchaeology.com</a>

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The statewide society publishes the ASD <u>Bulletin</u> annually, with reports on archaeological testing and excavations around Delaware, as well as a quarterly newsletter, <u>Inksherds</u>. It is a member of the Eastern States Archeological Federation. The ASD as a whole has one meeting annually, where presentations on recent archaeological work around the state, by both amateurs and professionals, are given. The meeting is open to the public. Archives of ASD publications are at the Historical Society of Delaware and in the UD Morris Library.

The Northern Chapter of the ASD has talks on archeological projects and training programs for amateur archaeologists, and provides opportunities to participate in two on-going projects: the Madison Factory at Greenbank Mill and the Brandywine Springs Amusement Park and Resort Site at Brandywine Springs Park.

This group of professional and avocational archaeologists meets monthly throughout the year to plan and run Delaware Archaeology Month which is celebrated in May. This committee provides speakers and excavation opportunities for amateur archaeologists, and presents exhibits on Delaware's archaeology at various events. The calendar of events for Archaeology Month is posted on the Archaeology Month web page in the spring.

Interested primarily in shipwrecks and underwater archaeology, the Society's members have collections of artifacts and photographs of artifacts from Delaware's Atlantic Coast beaches, and will help with artifact identification.

#### **Delaware Marine Archaeological Society**

Meetings: Every 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday, 7:00 p.m. Location: South Coastal Library, Bethany Beach For more information: Bill Winkler, 302-537-5334 Friends of Brandywine Springs

Meetings: Every 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday, 7:30 p.m. Location: Cedars United Methodist Church Maple and Harrison Ave, The Cedars

Wilmington, DE 19808

For more information: Michael Ciosek

302-994-0536

The Friends are dedicated to exploring the history and archaeology of one of Delaware's late 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup>-century amusement parks, Brandywine Springs Amusement Park and Resort Site at Brandywine Springs Park. Working with archaeologists and volunteers from the ASD, the Friends run weekend excavations, maintain the artifacts and field drawings from the site, and produce reports for publication in the ASD Bulletin.

#### **EXHIBITS, MUSEUMS, AND PROGRAMS IN ARCHAEOLOGY\***

**Delaware Archaeology Museum** 

316 S. Governors Ave. Dover, DE 19904

Web page: <a href="www.destatemuseums.org/">www.destatemuseums.org/</a>
For more information: State Visitors Center

302-739-4266

**Delaware Mineralogical Society** 

c/o Delaware Museum of Natural History 4840 Kennett Pike PO Box 3937 Wilmington, DE 19807-0937

For more information: 302-658-9111

**Treasures of the Sea Exhibit** 

Delaware Technical and Community College Owens Campus

Route 18, PO Box 610 Georgetown, DE 19947

For more information: 302-856-5700

**Delaware Nature Society** 

P.O. Box 700 Hockessin, DE 19707

Web page: www.delawarenaturesociety.org/

For more information: 302-239-2334

DiscoverSea Shipwreck Museum

708 Ocean Highway (2nd Floor) Fenwick Island, DE 19944 Web page: <u>www.discoversea.com</u>

For more information: 302-539-9366

**Iron Hill Museum** 

1355 Old Baltimore Pike Newark, DE 19711

Web page: <a href="https://www.ironhillmuseum.org">www.ironhillmuseum.org</a> For more information: 302-368-5703

John Dickinson Plantation

Kitts Hummock Rd. Dover, DE 19901

Web page: <a href="https://www.destatemuseums.org/">www.destatemuseums.org/</a>
For more information: State Visitors Center

302-739-4266

**Nanticoke Indian Museum** 

Rt. 24 and Rt. 5 Millsboro, DE

For more information: 302-945-7022

**Zwaanendael Museum** 

Savannah Road and Kings Highway

Lewes, DE 19958

Web page: <a href="www.destatemuseums.org/">www.destatemuseums.org/</a>
For more information: 302-645-1148

Run by Delaware State Museums, the museum houses a permanent exhibit, *Discover Archaeology*. This exhibit explores the full range of Delaware's prehistoric archaeology, with artifacts, photographs, and paintings. Admission is free.

Members of the Society can help identify the rock types used for stone tools, and are also knowledgeable about fossils.

The Owens Campus is home to an exhibit of artifacts from a non-Delaware shipwreck, the *Atocha*, a sunken Spanish galleon recovered off the coast of Florida. There is an admissions fee.

The Society occasionally runs special workshops on Native American lifeways and prehistory at its Ashland Nature Center.

This privately run museum displays artifacts from shipwreck sites in the Delaware area, collected by amateur archaeologists and sport divers. Admission is free.

The Iron Hill Museum, run by the Delaware Academy of Sciences, has exhibits on archaeology, gives tours of Iron Hill's archaeological sites, conducts school programs, runs a Junior Archaeology Camp for one week in the summer, and hosts a Lenape lifeways program. There is an admission fee.

Run by Delaware State Museums, the Plantation includes an exhibit on the archaeological work done around the site. Special events include an archaeological tour. Admission is free.

Run by the Nanticoke Indian Association, the Museum houses artifacts and artwork of the Nanticoke Indians. There is an admission fee.

Run by Delaware State Museums, the Zwaanendael Museum has an exhibit of artifacts from the HMB *DeBraak*, an 18<sup>th</sup>-century Royal Navy vessel that sank just off Cape Henlopen in 1798. Admission is free.

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<sup>\*</sup>The content and opinions of these exhibits and programs do not necessarily reflect the views and opinions of the Delaware State Historic Preservation Office.

#### **PUBLICATIONS ON DELAWARE ARCHAEOLOGY**

Custer, Jay F. **Delaware Prehistoric Archaeology: An Ecological Approach**. University of Delaware Press, Newark, 1984.

Out of print. Can be found at the UD Morris Library or by interlibrary loan.

Custer, Jay F., ed. Late Woodland Cultures of the Middle Atlantic Region. University of Delaware Press, Newark, 1986.

Out of print. Can be found at the UD Morris Library or by interlibrary loan.

Custer, Jay F. **Guide to Prehistoric Arrowheads and Spear Points of Delaware**. Delaware Division of Historical and Cultural Affairs, 1996.

Limited number available from the Delaware State Visitors Center for \$5.00; for shipping and handling, add \$0.75 To get a copy of the Guide, write: Delaware State Visitors Center, 406 Federal Street, Dover, DE 19901, or call 302-739-4266

#### **GENERAL ARCHAEOLOGICAL PUBLICATIONS**

American Archaeology

Web site: www.americanarchaeology.com

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**Archaeology Magazine** 

Web site: www.archaeology.org

**Archaeology of Eastern North America** 

Web site: www.siftings.com

Dig: the Archaeology Magazine for Kids.

Web site: www.digonsite.com

Historical Archaeology
Web site: <a href="https://www.sha.org">www.sha.org</a>

**International Journal of Nautical Archaeology** 

Web site: www.academicpress.com/ijna

Journal of Middle Atlantic Archaeology
Web site: www.maacmidatlanticarchaeology.org

**Northeast Historical Archaeology** 

Web site: www.smcm.edu/Academics/soan/cneha

**SAA Bulletin** 

Web site: www.saa.org

Magazine of the Archaeological Conservancy. Available by subscription.

Published by the Archaeological Institute of America. Available at local newsstands or call 1-800-221-3148 for a location near you.

Journal of the Eastern States Archaeological Federation. Available by subscription; some back issues are also available.

Young people's magazine, published with the Archaeological Institute of America. Available at local newsstands or call 1-800-221-3148 for a location near you.

Journal of the Society for Historical Archaeology. Available by subscription, or at UD Morris Library; some back issues are also available.

Journal of the Nautical Archaeology Society. Available by subscription.

Journal of the Middle Atlantic Archaeological Conference. Available by subscription; some back issues are also available.

Journal of the Council for Northeast Historical Archaeology. Available by subscription; some back issues are also available.

Journal of the Society for American Archaeology. Available by subscription, or at UD Morris Library; some back issues are also available.

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